

AGILE PhD School - Key Takeaways

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Figure 1: land use modelling areas

Abstract

How to visualize hundreds of modelling areas, and results for these units.

1 Visualisation

I came to PHD School with a problem - I even presented it on monday- how to visualize hundreds of modelling areas, and results for those units. The problem is that those areas are aggregation of basic units - like communes - and it is hard to show them at once (they overlay each other).

On Tuesday we had a workshop with Topi Tjukanov and I liked very much two things Topi showed us:

QGIS blending styles helped me to some extent to display features that overlay each other

I have still some ideas about visualizing trajectories in spatial units and I will still look for a nice way how to do it

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Figure 2: Legacies

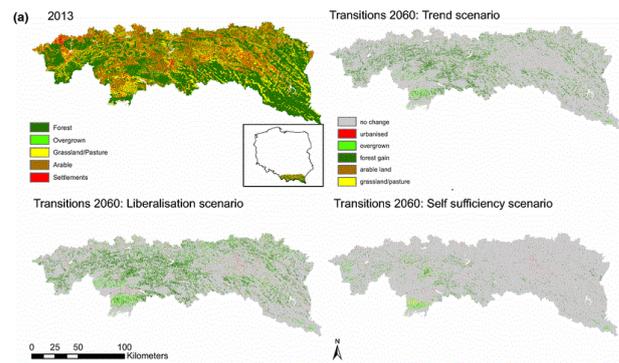


Figure 3: Legacies results

2 Reproducibility

On Wednesday we had a workshop about reproducibility: version control, repositories etc..

During my Phd I used the same set of input data that was described in a paper I am a co-author:

It was a simple dataset: one land cover map and 12 explanatory variables maps. Data from this paper was meant to be made public. So I think there will be no problem to put it into repository.

And as I mentioned before - I used hundreds of modelling areas, but they were generated automatically from just 3 sets of basic units: administrative, physical and geometrical spatial units

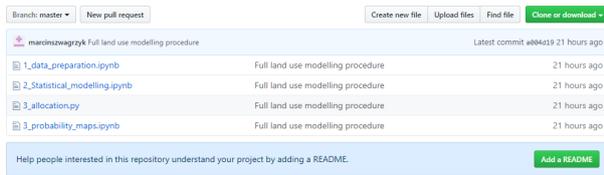


Figure 4: My repository

Generating of modelling areas as well as my whole modelling procedure was coded by me in Python with using of different libraries (like ArPy, pandas, scikit learn)

All of this code I uploaded already (yesterday and today) on my GitHub repository my repository

But the code is very unclean and need to be polished, before being ready to be reused by somebody else on different data.

2.1 Science Communication

At general, the readers of my work will be the people who work with land use models. So, there are mostly geographers. The benefit they will get from reading my work is that they will have a guideline how to proceed with land use modelling

But my Phd thesis has one disadvantage: it is in Polish. So the audience is now very limited. Writing a paper in English will be much better.